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Mr. Robert DuBois
Director, Employee Benefits Division
Department of Civil Service
Alfred E. Smith Office Building
Albany, New York 12239

Re: New York State Hospital and Benefit Management Program Administrative Fee Agreement

Dear Mr. DuBois:

This letter summarizes the agreement reached between the New York State Department of Civil Service, the New York State Division of Budget and Empire BlueCross BlueShield with regard to the Hospital and BMP Program renewal and administrative fees for the period 1/1/2009 - 12/31/2011. Premium rates will be agreed upon separately.

The following is the administrative fee portion of retention:

Year	PCPM Fee*	Percentage Increase
2009		
2010		
2011		
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The above administrative fees		
the incremental enrollment over 499,999 in a given month.		
There will be no year-end settl difference between the guaran represent profit or loss to Emp component of retention will be contracts for each applicable y	teed administrative fee and p ire BCBS. Settlement charg the above PCPM Fees times	rojected or actual cost will es for the administrative s the average monthly
contracts for each applicable y	ear. Notwithstanding this pa	Tayraon.

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The administrative fees set forth above do not include the following, which shall be charged separately to the New York State Health Insurance Program's Empire Plan:

We look forward to continuing to work with you in the future.

Sincerely,

William Corrigan Regional Vice President, Underwriting

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